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MEMORANDUM FOR THE STANDING GROUP

VOLE SHEET

SUBJECT: 1957 Annual Review Procedure

References: a. SGM-422-57
b. LOSTAN 2189
c. STAND 2102
d. ISPM 752

URGENT

BACKGROUND

1. During its meeting on 20th October, the Standing Group directed the I.P.T. to examine further the dates at which the I.P.T. should go to Paris in accordance with paragraph 5 of reference a.

DISCUSSION

2. In view of the last sentence of paragraph 3 of reference b, it appears that the International Staff will accept the receipt of the military recommendations on 3 or 4 countries, using last year's procedure, i.e. collation in Washington.

3. Since it is not certain that SHAPE will be ready with more than 3 or 4 recommendations by Monday, 7th October, it is perhaps better if the old method is used for handling the first three or four sets of recommendations.

4. The I.P.T. believes that it should remain in Washington until the end of next week (7th - 12th October), handling here such recommendations as can be made ready during that time.

5. The I.P.T. proposes that their first meeting with Commanders' staffs should be at the beginning of the week 14th - 19th October, by which time SHAPE should have many of its recommendations ready.

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6. The I.P.T. considers that the Standing Group, principals or deputies, should plan to be in Paris as from Wednesday, 23rd October until approximately 27th October. The necessity for their presence in Paris will be confirmed by signal from the I.P.T. in Paris.

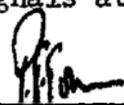
7. It will, ~~in~~ consequence, be necessary to invite SACEUR, SACLANT, CINCHAN and CINCMAIRCHAN to signal to the Standing Group at once, as many of their provisional recommendations as they have been able to prepare. They will also have to be told that they will be required to meet in Paris early in the week 14th -19th October.

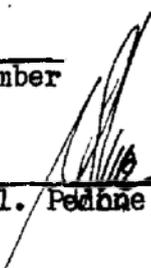
RECOMMENDATIONS

8. The I.P.T. recommend that:

- a. Standing Group takes note of the reasoning in the Discussion above.
- b. Approves despatch of signals at Enclosures.


Lt. Col. Entru, Fr. Member


Lt. Col. Tower, UK Member


Col. Pedone, US Member

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To: F/UK/US (Standing Group) Member

Your approval of the above recommendations is requested.

W. E. ABLITT
Lt. Col., USMC
Assistant Secretary

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FROM: SGN WASH DC

TO: SACEUR, SACLANT, CINCHAN, CINCMARCHAN, SGREP

THIS IS A NATO CONFIDENTIAL Message, STAND_____.
Subject is Annual Review Procedure 1957.

Reference: SGM-422-57

1. In view of the lateness of some Country Replies it has been found necessary to modify the procedure given in paragraph 5 of reference.

2. The first meeting between the Standing Group I.P.T. and Commanders' staffs will take place in the Palais de Chaillot, Paris, beginning at 1100 hours, 15th October 1957.

3. Prior to this meeting and as soon as possible, such Commanders' recommendations as already prepared will be signalled to SGN in Washington.

4. SGN will prepare final lists of recommendations for those countries upon which it will have received Commanders' recommendations and will signal those final recommendations to SGREP for the International Staff before 15th October if possible.

5. All recommendations which have not been prepared before 15th October will be handled in Paris on 15th October and subsequently, as laid down in paragraph 5 of reference.

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ENCLOSURE "B"

FROM: SGN WASH DC
TO: SCREP, PARIS FRANCE

THIS IS A NATO CONFIDENTIAL Message, STAND _____.
Subject is 1957 Annual Review.

References: a. LOSTAN 2189
b. STAND

1. In answer to paragraph 5 of reference a, it is requested that you compose the military conclusions for each Country Study.

2. Should any other points be raised by the International Staff in connection with the content of the Country Studies, you are further requested to handle them directly with the International Staff.

3. Please assure the International Staff that despite the modifications in procedure given in reference b, it is the firm intention of the Standing Group that the October 28th deadline for the military recommendations should, if at all possible, be met.

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Enclosure "B"

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ENCLOSURE "C"

FROM: SGN WASH DC
TO: SACEUR, PARIS FRANCE
INFO: SGREP

THIS IS A NATO CONFIDENTIAL Message, STAND_____.
Subject is Commanders' Comments and Military Recommendations,
Annual Review 1957. Reference STAND_____

1. SGN is disturbed by the growing delay in this year's Annual Review procedure.
2. The timetable is already attenuated, and it is most important that the International Staff receive the final military recommendations by 28th October.
3. Please accelerate your processing of Country Replies, and ensure that:
 - a. Your Comments on each Country be sent to SGN and SGREP within the near future.
 - b. Some provisional military recommendations be signalled to the SGN before 13th October (see reference).
 - c. The remaining military recommendations are ready for the staff officers meeting in the Palais de Chaillot on 15th October (see reference), or very soon after.

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Enclosure "C"